

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday October 31st 1999

Monaghan Rally

Last Sunday's Monaghan rally was once again a very successful event. The number of traders was certainly the biggest seen at any EI rally this year and while the attendance was not as large as previous years, the club were very happy with the results.

All the regular EI traders were in attendance as well as two from the UK and three from north of the border.

One of the features of this rally is the appreciation shown to the traders. This is demonstrated by the willing help in carrying boxes in and out and by the provision of tea and sandwiches both at the start and finish of the days business. Well done Monaghan. Other clubs would do well to follow their example.

Changes To QSL Bureau

Kevin O'Herlihy EI7IM has retired as QSL Sub Manager to concentrate on publications, Echo Ireland the bi-monthly IRTS magazine and the Society Yearbook.

The new Sub Manager for the SWL, zero and one series is Dermot Adams EI7IX from Westport Co. Mayo and he can be contacted on e-mail at ei7ix@eircom.net.

John Corless EI7IQ has taken over as the seven series QSL Sub Manager.

Worked All Ireland

The first of the One Thousand Awards were presented at the Monaghan rally last weekend. Congratulation to Paddy EI7GK, Pat EI6DA, George GI4SRQ and Noel EI6HW who achieved award numbers one to four respectively.

Dave EI4BZ representing the Worked All Ireland sub-committee presented the One Thousand plaques.

Changes to Club prize

The IRTS Committee has at its October meeting, decided to re-open entry to the £1000 Millennium Prize for clubs. A number of clubs had complained about a shortage of time for the original registration.

The new closing date for the competition is Dec 31st. 2000 and clubs wishing to participate should download a registration form from the IRTS Website and post it to the Secretary.

Clubs unable to download the form should contact the Secretary EI7IQ at QTHR or e-mail ei7iq@eircom.net and request a form.

Clubs who have already registered need not do so again as the original registration still stands.

The award will be made at the 2001 AGM and will be judged on the following points:

a) IRTS and club membership b) Public activity and public relations c) Club Activity including support of IRTS operating events d) Contributions to the IRTS News and Newsletter

IRTS AGM 2000

Arrangements are well underway for the Year 2000 IRTS Dinner Dance and AGM to be held at The Four Seasons Hotel in Monaghan.

The Monaghan Radio Club will host the weekend events.

The Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday April the 8th and tickets priced at IR£20 each will be available shortly.

The usual rally will be held on Sunday April the 9th and the Annual General Meeting will take place at 2.30.

Traders wishing to attend the rally, or anyone wishing to book accommodation for the night of the Dinner should contact Rally organisers Stephen Hand on 08 013657 51479 or Ken O'Reilly on 08 013657 23283.

Millennium Award

You have only two months left to build up your score for the Millennium DX marathon sponsored by the WestNet Group.

There is still time to make an impression as we have several big contests between here and the year end.

Substantial radio related prizes are promised and they will be presented at the AGM in Monaghan in April.

Tipperary Amateur Radio Group.

The Annual General Meeting of Tipperary Amateur Group will take place on Wednesday next 3rd November, at 8pm.

There is a change of venue for this year's meeting, which will be held at Raheen House Hotel, Raheen Road, Clonmel.

Mayo Radio Experimenters Network

Club activity continues to flourish in Mayo. The Club assisted the Scouts to set up and operate two different HF Stations for the Jamboree On the Air. The Club callsign EI7MRE was active from Knockmore near Ballina with the North Mayo Scouts and the Westport Scouts activated EI3SJW. The stations were set up by Padraic Baynes EI6FWB and support for the Scouts events was provided by Dermot Adams EI7IX, Gerry Cregg EI4GD and Padraic Baynes Jnr., EI5IX.

The next meeting of the Club will be held on Wednesday November 3rd at 9pm in The Wishing Well, Ballyvary.

Dates for your Diary

The North Wales Radio and Electronics Exhibition will take place in Llandudno on 6th and 7th November.

The IRTS AGM will be held in The Four Seasons Hotel on Monaghan over the weekend of April the 8th and 9th next year.

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